

NWS Fire Weather Services Meeting – 2014

I. Introduction

- a. Kelly Allen – Fire Weather Program Manager, Riverton, WY
Dan Borsum – Fire Weather Program Manager, Billings, MT
- b. 2013 Review, NWS Performance in 2013
- c. Climate Predictions for 2014 season

II. Agenda

- a. **FWF, DAF, and NDFRS Forecast Issuance**
- b. **Multimedia Briefings / Emails** – remove **cr.wxriw@noaa.gov** from spam list!
- c. **Spring burning Campaign** – do you want us to create/amend any materials?
weather.gov/riverton/?n=agburning
- d. **Decision Support Pages** – use them!
- e. **Burn Scar Flooding Maps** – Progress on rain gauges in scars? Any known issues?
- f. **Spot Feedback & New Spot Forecast Website Status Update**
- g. **“Save your Bacon” weather tips presentation for wildland firefighters**

Some FYI's

- h. NWSchat live – go to “wyfirechat” room and/or the “riwchat” room

-Sign up for an account here: <https://nwschat.weather.gov/create.php>

-Then, sign into the web interface here (after you take the brief training - which basically just states that you won't use foul language in the chat, basic stuff like that...):

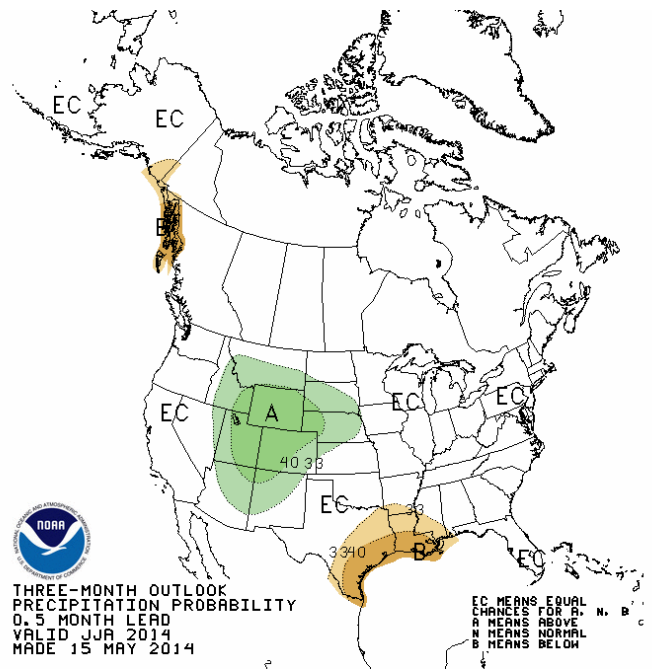
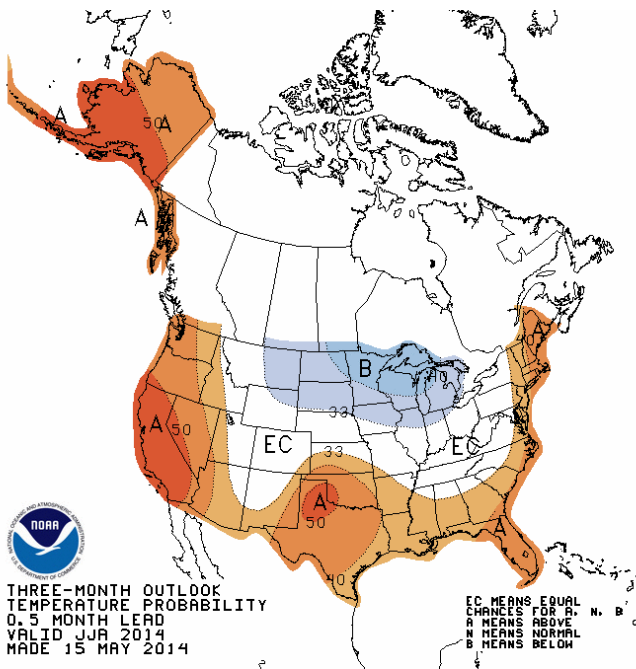
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-Once you have signed in, go to the bottom left hand corner and expand the "Chatrooms" menu by clicking on the plus sign to the right of the word Chatrooms. Find "riwchat" and join. It may take a day or so before you can join the "wyfirechat" group (it takes a while for the system to recognize you as a member for that room because it is a closed room). So just remember to go back in the next day and join the fire chat. While you are joining a chat, you can check the "auto join upon start" option...which is recommended so you don't have to find our chats every time you logon.

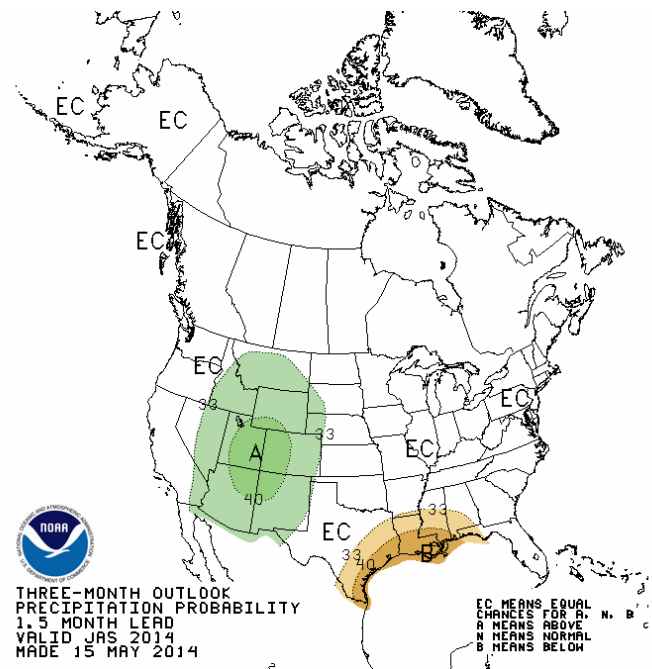
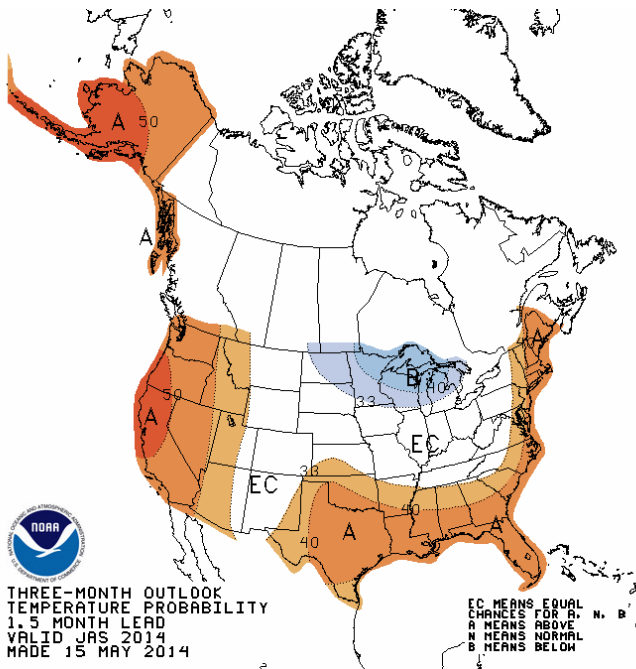
- i. mobile.weather.gov
- j. County EM pages
<http://www.crh.noaa.gov/riw/?n=embrief>
- k. WYOLink – contact us on NWS RIV (we can't contact you but we can answer you if you get a hold of us on our channel)
- l. Contacts up to date?

Seasonal Climate Predictions:

June/July/August:



July/August/September:



World Average Temperatures

May: 71/42

August: 88/54

June: 81/51

September: 76/44

July: 90/57

World Average Precipitation

May: 1.43"

August: 0.55"

June: 1.15"

September: 0.82"

July: 0.61"